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SUBJECT: MAJOR ISSUES AT 29TH MEETING, INTERNATIONAL WHALING
COMMISSION, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA, JUNE 20, 1977

REF: STATE 127607

1. EMBASSY OFFICER CALLED ON DEP SEC GEN MIN FISHERIES
THORDUR ASGEIRSSON (WHO WILL ATTEND CANBERRA MEETING) ON
JUNE 8 AND AFTER PRESENTING U.S. VIEWS PER REFTEL LEFT
AIDE MEMOIRE.

2. DEP SEC GEN SAID US VIEWS AND INTEREST COME AS NO
SURPRISE AND ARE IN KEEPING WITH US POSITION AT PREVIOUS
IWC MEETINGS. HE NOTED THAT ICELAND'S VIEWS HAVE NOT
CHANGED AND, WITH RESPECT TO US CALL FOR 10-YEAR
MORATORIUM, EXPRESSED THE SATISFACTION OF THE GOI WITH
THE SIX YEAR QUOTA ICELAND RECEIVED FOR CATCHING FIN
WHALES. HE FELT THE IWC SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE MUST
HAVE BEEN SATISFIED WITH ICELANDIC ONSERVATION
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EFFORTS AND THE STATUS OF FIN WHALES STOCKS TO
MAKE SUCH A LENGHTY QUOTA ALLOCATION.

3. ON THE MATTER OF OPEN MEETINGS, HE SAID ICELAND
SUPPORTED THE CHAIRMAN'S POSITION THAT THIS ISSUE BE
DECIDED AT THE IWC MEETING AT CANBERRA. HIS OWN
INCLINATION TENDED TO FAVOR OPEN PLENARY AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

MEETINGS. (HE NOTED THAT SOME SONCERATION GROUPS WERE
ALREADY REPRESENTED AT SOME IWC SESSIONS.) HE BELIEVED
SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE MEETINGS SHOULD REMAIN CLOSED.

4. DEP SEC GEN WAS NOT PREPARED TO COMMENT ON THE
MAJOR ISSUES LISTED PARA 4 REFTTEL, BUT WILL BE PREPARED
TO DISCUSS THESE AND OTHER MATTERS WITH US DELEGATION AT
CANBERRA.

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